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1. FOLLOWING IS UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE IN JUNE 5 RUDE PRAVO, ENTITLED "ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES OF DEVELOPING CSSR-USA RELATIONS":

"PRESIDENT OF THE CSSR GUSTAV HUSAK RECEIVED DAVID ROCKEFELLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK, AT PRAGUE CASTLE WEDNESDAY.

"THEIR TALK REVIEWED SOME PROBLEMS OF ECONOMIC CONTACTS BETWEEN THE CSSR AND THE U.S. AND POSSIBILITIES FOR THEIR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT.

"ATTENDING THE AUDIENCE WAS CSSR DEPUTY PREMIR RUDOLF
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ROHLICEK AND JAN PUDLAK, CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL OFFICE.

"DAVID ROCKEFELLER FLEW INTO PRAGUE WEDNESDAY AT THE INVITATION OF THE CSSR GOVERNMENT. HE WAS WELCOMED AT RUZYNE AIRPORT BY CSSR DEPUTY PREMIER RUDOLF ROHLICEK. ALSO ON HAND WAS U.S. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES TO THE CSSR, JACK R. PERRY.

"THE BOARD CHAIRMAN OF THE CHASE MANHATTAN BANK IS BEING ACCOMPANIED BY VICE-PRESIDENTS OF THIS BANK MICHAEL W. CURRAN AND RICHARD A. FENN, AS WELL AS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE CMB AUSTRIAN BRANCH OSWALD E. JUDAR.

"THE AFTERNOON TALKS IN PRAGUE'S HRZAN PALACE BETWEEN CSSR DEPUTY PREMIER RUDOLF ROHLICEK AND DAVID ROCKEFELLER WERE ATTENDED ON THE CZECHOSLOVAK SIDE BY CSSR FINANCE MINISTER LEOPOLD LER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CZECHOSLOVAK STATE BANK SVATOPLUK POTAC.

"DURING THE TALK, HELD IN AN OPEN ATMOSPHERE, VIEWS WERE EXCHANGED ON THE POSSIBILITIES OF DEEPENING ECONOMIC AND TRADE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE CSSR AND THE U.S. BOTH SIDES POINTED OUT IN UNISON THAT A MORE FRUITFUL DEVELOPMENT OF HOTAL RELATIONS IN THIS AREA WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE GENERAL EFFORT FOR LESSENING INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND STRENGTHENING PEACEFUL COOPERATION AMONG COUNTRIES WITH DIFFERENT SOCIAL REGIMES, WHICH IS IN THE INTEREST OF BOTH THE CSSR AND THE U.S. PEOPLE.

"CSSR DEPUTY PREMIER RUDOLF ROHLICEK GAVE A LUNCHEON IN HRZAN PALACE IN HONOR OF DAVID ROCKEFELLER.

"MEMBERS OF MR. ROCKEFELLER'S ENTOURAGE AND CHARGE D'AFFAIRES TO THE CSSR JACK R. PERRY TOOK PART.

"IN THE EVENING HOURS DAVID ROCKEFELLER AND HIS ENTOURAGE MADE A TOUR OF PRAGUE CASTLE AND THE CITY SUBWAY."

2. OTHER MAJOR DAILIES CARRIED SIMILAR FRONT-PAGE ARTICLES AND ALSO PHOTOS OF ROCKEFELLER AND HUSAK. PERRY

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